

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART  
**ARTIST BIOGRAPHY**

1989

Please complete and return the following questionnaire for our reference file on May Show artists.

**FULL NAME:** Janice L. Wrzesinski

professional name: Jan McKay

**DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:**

2/28/53 Lorain, Ohio

**CATEGORY/PRIMARY MEDIA:** Photography

**PRESENT POSITION**

Head of Communications and Public Relations  
The Cleveland Museum of Natural History

**ART TRAINING (Schools, Scholarships, etc.):**

No formal training in art - self-taught.

I have a B.A. from the University of Dayton and an M.A. from  
Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Both degrees are in Mass

Communication. I have taken some photography courses and art classes at UD

I also belong to the Cleveland Photographic Society.

**EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN (include location and year):**

none

**COLLECTIONS THAT NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:**

private collections

**AWARDS:**

none for art, some for volunteerism and other  
activities.

We would appreciate having a statement about your philosophy and work as an artist—either general or something specific about the piece(s) selected for this year's May Show to aid us in the preparation of gallery talks and in the release of publicity materials. For more space, use the back of this sheet.

I often gravitate toward a type-of surrealistic interpretation of what I see. Patterns, shadows and colors interest me, especially if they distort what might be the realistic, straight-forward statement. Of course, the straight-forward can also be surrealistic, which makes seeing something to photograph all the more interesting and fun. The range of what I can feel based on what I see always amazes me. I guess I use my photography as a way to share, express, marvel and comfort.